

# **EXHIBIT B**

TRANSCRIPT OF PLAINTIFF'S EMERGENCY MOTION FOR  
TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER  
BEFORE THE HONORABLE STEVEN D. GRIMBERG  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

1 the Court supporting that, nor any cognizable argument that that  
2 has happened.

3 And, finally, as Ms. McGowan said, in terms of the  
4 plaintiff's apples-to-oranges comparison, he's comparing the  
5 totality of the absentee-ballot rejections from 2018. As our  
6 brief response makes clear, the General Assembly made a policy  
7 decision following the 2018 election to change the evaluation of  
8 absentee ballots partially due to identity theft concerns and the  
9 fact that voters felt uncomfortable putting their date of birth  
10 on the outside of the envelope. The General Assembly took that  
11 off the outer envelope where it was no longer visible to anyone  
12 during the mail transmission. That resulted in a significant  
13 decrease in the percentage of absentee ballots that were rejected  
14 at the outset. There were quite a number in 2018 that were  
15 rejected for that missing information.

16 In terms of when you actually do an apples-to-apples  
17 comparison - and it is referenced in Chris Harvey's affidavit  
18 that we will be moving into evidence, it's an exhibit in our  
19 brief response - when you actually look at ballots from 2018 that  
20 were rejected signature match and you look at ballots from 2020,  
21 after the cure period, those numbers are identical in terms of --

22 MR. SMITH: Your Honor, if he continues on he's going  
23 to become a fact witness.

24 MR. WILLARD: I am referencing what is in our  
25 affidavit, Your Honor. It is in our brief response, as well. I

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3 CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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5 I do hereby certify that the foregoing pages are a  
6 true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken down by me  
7 in the case aforesaid.

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9 This the 23rd day of November, 2020.

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11 /S/ Alicia B. Bagley \_\_\_\_\_  
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